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SUBJECT: SPECIAL SELF-HELP FUND FY-04 FINAL REPORT

[11.](#) (U) STATUS OF SSH FY 2000 - 2002

Post is pleased to report there are no outstanding balances. All projects have been closed out.

[12.](#) (U) STATUS OF SSH FY 2003

Post funded ten projects with the \$56,200.00 allocated to Embassy Kinshasa. Post insured that these small projects represented many regions of this vast country. These projects have had a very positive impact on the areas where they were implemented, and they are also a visible sign to the Congolese of U.S. concern for their welfare. Seven of the projects have been completed successfully, and all receipts turned into USAID. The status of four FY03 projects that remain open is listed below:

Project Number: SSH 03-660-03
Project Name: Habitat for Humanity
Location: Lukala - Kimpese, Bas Congo
Dollar Amount: \$13,600
Status: This project got off to a very late start due to administrative problems by HH. The project has now been completed and post is waiting for receipts to liquidate the remaining \$5,282.19. Post visited the project August 5, [2004](#). The visit confirmed that HH was doing a great job with the funds. Post does not anticipate any complications in closing this project.

Project Number: SSH 03-660-04
Project Name: Project de la Population Demunie
Location: Lubumbashi, Shaba
Dollar Amount: \$5,000
Status: Project has been completed as agreed, and the remaining receipts for the amount of \$1,585 should be at post before the end of November. Post does not anticipate any complications in closing out this project.

Project Number: SSH 03-660-05
Project Name: Oeuvres N'te M'pn Yesu - Ontey
Location: Panu, Bandundu
Dollar Amount: \$10,000
Status: Project located in a very remote area. Grantee and community are doing a good job, but distance and unstable conditions in the country have greatly slowed progress. Post has been in contact with the grantee and the remaining receipts for \$3,277.73 should be delivered in the near future. Post anticipates no complications in closing out this project.

Project Number: SSH 03-660-09
Project Name: Bon Depart
Location: Gemena, Equateur
Dollar Amount: \$3,500
Status: Pictures and reports show good progress with this project. The project has been competed as agreed and grantee promises remaining receipts for \$2102.90 by the end of November. Post anticipates no complications in closing out this project.

[13.](#) STATUS OF SSH FY 2004

Post received notice of the \$45,500 allocated to Embassy Kinshasa August 4, 2004. Seven projects were chosen, and all the funds were obligated by September 10, 2004. Many worthy projects were rejected due to funding constraints. The following information summarizes the selected projects:

Project Number: SSH 04-660-01
Project Name: Comite de Developpement du Bassin Nord de la N'djili
Location: Kinshasa
Dollar Amount: \$20,000
Description: Three communities of Kinshasa have come together in an effort to stop the flooding of the N'djili River which is destroying their homes and endangering their lives. Funds will provide necessary aid to build up the banks of the N'djili River.
Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
Beneficiaries: Approximately sixty-four thousand poverty-stricken people.
Local input: The three communities are providing all the labor.
Status: First advance of \$5,000 has been given to the grantee.

Project Number: SSH 04-660-02
 Project Name: Streets Smarts
 Location: Kinshasa
 Dollar Amount: \$4,000
 Description: A group of expatriates provide assistance to street boys of Gombe, Kinshasa to live in a house and attend school. Funds are used for schooling, lodging, food, and salary for a dorm dad and cook for the children.
 Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
 Beneficiaries: Twenty street boys.
 Local input: Time and energy of those who contribute and help run the program on a voluntary basis.
 Status: Grantee has not withdrawn first advance.
 Project Number: SSH 04-660-03
 Project Name: Orphelinat Saint Vincent de Paul
 Location: Mashala, Kasai Occ.
 Dollar Amount: \$5,000
 Description: A religious group, caring for orphans and displaced persons, plans to build a pigsty. The pigs will provide food for the center as well as funds for other needs. Funds will build a sty and purchase a few pigs.
 Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
 Beneficiaries: At present this project will benefit 231 orphans and 77 displaced persons, and many more persons will benefit in years to come.
 Local input: Time and energy of the sisters who run the center.
 Status: Grantee has not withdrawn first advance.

Project Number: SSH 04-660-04
 Project Name: Assistance Alimentaire aux Eleves Sans Moyens (ASALEM)
 Location: Kinshasa
 Dollar Amount: \$3,000
 Description: Providing books and other teaching aids for a school serving low-income families. Funds will also serve to improve the condition of the school building.
 Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
 Beneficiaries: Two hundred plus students this year and many more in the years to come.
 Local input: The grantee owns the property.
 Status: Grantee still needs to produce some remaining proforma.

Project Number: SSH 04-660-05
 Project Name: A Mobayi Mobayi
 Location: Mbongo, Equateur
 Dollar Amount: \$3,500
 Description: Funds will provide benches for a school devastated by the war.
 Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
 Beneficiaries: Three hundred plus students this year and more in the years to come.
 Local input: Community will replace doors and windows looted during the war.
 Status: Grantee has withdrawn funds.

Project Number: SSH 04-660-06
 Project Name: Salvation Army
 Location: Plateau de Bateke, Bandundu
 Dollar Amount: \$5,000
 Description: Purchasing a corn-sheller and a generator to run the sheller. Presently women and children shell the corn manually. Sheller will increase efficiency and productivity.
 Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
 Beneficiaries: Growers, harvesters, and consumers of Plateau de Bateke.
 Local input: Salvation Army provides fuel, maintenance, and labor for the sheller.
 Status: Grantee will be withdrawing funds this week.

Project Number: SSH 04-660-07
 Project Name: Assainissement du Milieu Urbain
 Location: Kananga, Kasai Occidental
 Dollar Amount: \$5,000
 Description: Providing basic hand tools to aid the city of Kananga in manually cleaning up their city.
 Date Obligated: September 10, 2004
 Beneficiaries: The population of Kananga, approximately 1,100,000 persons.
 Local input: The population of Kananga will provide the manual labor necessary to make their city a cleaner, healthier, and safer place.
 Status: Grantee has not provided all the necessary proforma.

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